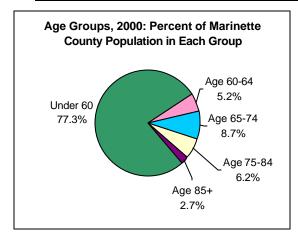
Marinette County's Older Population

A summary of data from the U.S. Census, 2000

Population:

The proportion of people age 65 and older in Marinette County is higher than that of the state as a whole (17.6% versus 13.1%). The rate of growth in the older population since 1990 has been slower in this county than in the state as a whole (6.8% versus 7.9%). In all, 7,627 people in this county are age 65 or older, and 1,159 of these are age 85 or older. Marinette County's average (or median) age is 40.5 years, compared to a statewide median of 36.0 years.

Marinette County: Population and Change Since 1990						
	2000 Census		1990 Census		Change: 1990-2000	
	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total	Number	% Change
Total, All Ages	43,384		40,548		2,836	7.0%
Persons 60 and over	9,868	22.7%	9,135	22.5%	733	8.0%
Persons 65 and over	7,627	17.6%	7,144	17.6%	483	6.8%
Persons 85 and over	1,159	2.7%	862	2.1%	297	34.5%



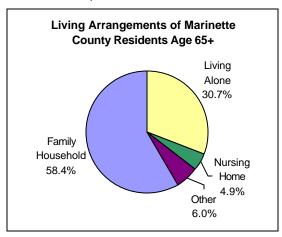
Race:

A large majority (99.4%) of Marinette County's 65 and over population is white. On average, the county's minority groups are younger than whites. Marinette County African Americans have a median age of 16.2 years, and the median age of Hispanics/Latinos here is 21.5 years. Whites, in contrast, average 40.7 years.

Living Arrangements:

Of the 17,585 households in Marinette County, 5,154 include at least one person age 65 or older (29.3% of all households). A total of 4,869 housing units in the county have a "household head" aged 65 or older, and 79.9% of these are owner occupied (the rest are rented).

A majority (58.4%) of the older population lives in "family households" containing at least two people related by blood or marriage, but another 30.7% of people 65 or older live alone. Of those older people in family households, 3.7% are living in the home of one of their children. A total of 372 people age 65 and older live in Marinette County nursing homes (4.9% of all those in this age group). A very small number of the county's older residents live in nonfamily households or in other institutions.



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